

"This is a message from the Georgetown Water Department concerning our semi-annual flushing program, which we perform every spring and fall. A consistent flushing program is part of our water system maintenance, and is intended to help improve water quality and extend infrastructure lifecycle.

Water main flushing will begin on Monday, April 11th, and will continue each weekday through mid-May. Flushing involves Water Department personnel operating fire hydrants to scour the inside wall of the pipes, thereby removing sediment and mineral buildup that occurs at low water velocities.

Flushing will be performed between the hours of 8:30 AM and 3:00 PM. The first areas to be flushed will be on the western side of town near the water storage tanks and water treatment plant. Major streets include Baldpate Road, Andover Street, and West Street.

Each week, flushing will continue using the following sequence:

- For the week of April 18<sup>th</sup> – Central Street/Nelson Street/Littles Hill/Lake Shore Drive areas.
- For the week of April 25<sup>th</sup> – West Main Street/East Main Street/Elm Street/Tenney Street/Searle Street areas.
- For the week of May 2<sup>nd</sup> – North Street/Pond Street areas.
- For the week of May 9<sup>th</sup> – Jewett Street/Thurlow Street areas.
- For the week of May 16<sup>th</sup> – Jackman Street/Warren Street areas.

This information will also be updated on the Town's website @ [www.georgetownma.gov](http://www.georgetownma.gov).

If you, or someone you know in Town, has any special water needs, please contact the Water Department office as soon as possible. Our number is (978) 352-5750.

During water main flushing, you may temporarily experience a reduction in your water pressure. Once the flushing operation is concluded for the day, the pressure will return to normal levels. During and following flushing operations, you may experience dirty water in your home water system for a day or two. These impacts can still be felt a considerable distance away from the flushing hydrants. In the event that you have dirty water, you are advised to run the cold water at each faucet for several minutes before each use. By the end of the day, the water quality should return to pre-flushing conditions.

Domestic water service and fire protection will still be maintained during the flushing program.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

We apologize for any inconvenience this required maintenance operation may cause."